



Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School

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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to you all with the latest position regarding summer Public Examinations, following the announcement on the BBC News this evening, that summer exams for GCSE and A level courses of study are cancelled.

Gavin Williamson is apparently working with Ofqual to make plans for alternative arrangements regarding assessment for these courses of study. As soon as we have information, we will share it with our families.

Although I have yet to receive any news about examinations directly from the DfE or Local Authority, I have received information from Examination Boards that they will be working closely with Ofqual to ensure students are awarded the grades they deserve in the summer.

I know all of this will raise questions for you. Regrettably at the moment , I do not have all the answers for you. I do however want to assure you that we will be supporting our students in Years 11 and 13, to complete their planned courses of study and continuing to undertake appropriate internal assessments going forward. It is important for students to maintain their motivation and their resolve throughout this period so that they are best equipped for the courses they will transition onto. Working in partnership we can support them to achieve great things in the face of adversity.

Yours faithfully

Violet Walker
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